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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS **UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371, dated July 14, 2005, Applicant encloses herewith a properly executed copy of Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney Declaration and Power of Attorney in compliance with 37 C.F.R.1.497(a) and (b) along with a copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements, together with Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Please charge any deficiency as well as any other fee(s) which may become due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and/or 1.17, at any time during the pendency of this application, or credit any overpayment of such fee(s), to Deposit Account No. 21-0550. TWO (2) COPIES OF THIS SHEET ARE ENCLOSED.

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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 11/30/2004
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 11/30/2004
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 11/30/2004
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 11/30/2004
- Assignment filed on 11/30/2004
- Priority Documents filed on 11/30/2004

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

 Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filling a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.138(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the response.

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[X] Petition for Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)

[x] Response to Notification of Missing Requirements

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